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William Brune
Director of Land Protection
14 Maine Street Suite 401
Brunswick, Maine 04011

RE: ILF Resource Mitigation Program

Dear Will:

Please find enclosed a signed original copy of the ILF agreement between TNC and the Department for the administration of the ILF resource compensation program. I apologize for it taking so long to get the approved agreement back to TNC. This is a rather unique contract that took some time to get straightened out with the Division of Purchases and our own internal accounting unit. As stated in a previous e-mail, the first contribution into the "Natural Resource Mitigation Fund" will be sent to TNC on December 31, 2007. The check in the amount of \$116,329.00 will be made payable to TNC. The Department will keep the project details in an ILF database as prescribed in our agreement, however, TNC should be aware of the source details to ensure proper placement of the funds within the right biophysical region account. I have attached a copy of the ILF project data worksheet for your information

The Department has scheduled a meeting of the ILF work group for January 29, 2008 at the DEP offices in Augusta to discuss next steps in the implementation of the ILF program. If you have specific areas that you would like to discuss please let me know prior to the meeting so that they can be included on the agenda.

Congratulations, and the Department looks forward to working with you!

Respectfully,

James D. Cassida

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Licensing Coordinator
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